Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (*Cranganur*).—May I know whether any of these applications were placed before the advisory committee formed under the Act?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—You mean the Taluk Committees. There is no information. It must have been done.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—What is the nature of the enquiry and by whom is it conducted?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—The enquiry is to be made by the Taluk Committees.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon *(Adur).*—Has any of the Taluk Committees ever met after they were instituted?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—They have no direct correspondence with the Government. It is with the Director of Industries.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*—Can we take it that any of these petitions received have been placed before the Taluk Committees?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—It cannot be answered for certain. It must have been placed.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Will the Government be pleased to show a bit more expedition in the transaction of the business especially because on the working of this alone the great economic amelioration of the masses rests?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—Government are really anxious to expedite the matter. They are taking all possible steps.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*— Unfortunately the Advisory Committee has not met.

Town Improvement Committee for Mattancheri.

128. **Mr. Shabdai S. Koder** *(Jews-Special)*—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they propose to constitute a Town Improvement Committee for Mattancheri?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—No.

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Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews Special).*—Does the Government propose to institute a Town Improvement Committee in any other town?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—There is no proposal now.

Municipal elections—Holding of.

129. Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Special).*—Will the Government be pleased to state when they propose to hold the Municipal elections?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—As early as possible after the new Act is brought into force.

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews Special).*—Can the Government give us an approximate date as to when the elections will be held?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—Probably in Chingam or Kanni of next year.

Industrial Schools—Subjects taught, etc.

130. Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what all subjects are taught in the Industrial Schools of the State; are local needs considered in prescribing subjects of study in the various schools;

(b) is any Industrial School attached to any Industrial House, or Factory; if so which schools; with which institution;

(c) are our Industrial schools affiliated to any Technological Institution elsewhere, if so with which;

(d) is any degree or diploma conferred to successful candidates in our Industrial schools; if so in what all subjects?

Mr. P. J. George *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—(a) In all the Government Industrial Schools including the Government Trades Schools at Trichur and Ernakulam, weaving is one of the principal industries taught to the pupils. Besides one or more of the following subjects are also taught in all the Schools except Government Industrial School, Veliyanad, where weaving is the only industry taught. Provision is also made for the teaching of literary subjects and drawing. The other industries are (1) Carpentry (2) Smithy (3) Mat-making (4) Bell-metal

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